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John 2:16.17

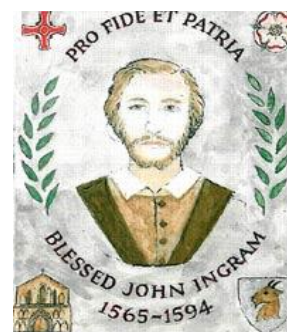
NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF
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Sunday 4 March 2018

Third Sunday of Lent

Year B

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

Saturday 3 March

Vigil Mass

5.30pm St Philip Neri People of the Parish

Sunday 4 March

9.30am St Mary Teresa Brown (dec.)

Third Sunday of Lent

11.00am Immaculate Heart Kathy Johnson (dec.)

Weekday Readings: Season of Lent, Week 3

Monday 5 March

N.B. No Service today

Tuesday 6 March

10.00am Immaculate Heart Private Intention

Wednesday 7 March

10.00am St Philip Neri Priest's Intention

Thursday 8 March

9.30am St Mary Fred Hancock (dec.)

Friday 9 March

10.00am St Mary Francis Kelly (dec.)

6.30pm St Mary *Station of the Cross*

Saturday 10 March

Vigil Mass

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

Sunday 11 March

9.30am St Mary People of the Parish

Fourth Sunday of Lent

11.00am Immaculate Heart Bob Andison (ann.)

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, Kathleen Cailey, Ken Webster, Winnie Easton, Joanne Maclean, Pat Flynn.

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.

LENTEN ALMS APPEAL 2018 There will be a retiring collection at all Masses next weekend 10/11 March to support the work of St Cuthbert's Care. This Lent, St Cuthbert's Care would deeply appreciate your support for their Hardship Fund which offers financial assistance to older people with limited means wishing to move into our Catholic nursing homes. Also, parishioners of all ages are invited to think about volunteering to help in St Cuthbert's Care's two diocesan homes during Lent. No specific skills are required – just a smile, friendliness and a little free time. If you're interested, or for further information, contact Nicola Milne on 0191 242 4809 or email her at Nicola.milne@stcuthbertscare.org.uk and she will be delighted to hear from you.

PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF OUR THREE PARISHES Following the Open Meeting on 7 February and Fr Peter's speaking at all Masses over the weekend of 10/11 February, the proposed amalgamation of our three parishes has now been presented to the Bishop and the Episcopal Council and it was unanimously approved. The proposal will now go to the Council of Priests which is meeting this Thursday 8 March. If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed amalgamation, please contact Fr Peter, email stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk tel. 0191 460 4274 or Katie Wilkinson, Chair of the Parish Pastoral Council, email teachkate1@gmail.com tel. 07837 386760.

SENIOR MOMENTS LUNCH The next Senior Moments Lunch is this Wednesday 7 March at 11.30am in St Mary's Parish Hall. All welcome.

YOU'RE WELCOME! How welcoming are we as a parish community? What do first-time visitors experience when they join us? How 'included' do regular worshippers feel? Following recent PPC discussion we are looking to gather together a few people from across our three churches to explore such questions and make some practical recommendations. Anyone who wishes to get involved is very welcome. For more information please contact Tony Sacco tel. 07896 096747 or email tony.sacco@intraionsolutions.co.uk

EASTER FLOWERS It would be greatly appreciated if parishioners from all three churches could donate at least £1 towards Easter flowers – there are collection boxes at the back of each church for your donations. Thank you.

WHICKHAM CHURCHES TOGETHER are looking for volunteers to knit small Easter chicks. These will be distributed in the village. A pattern and poster giving further details are available at the back of church. For further information, please contact Christine Norman tel. 07957 810 471.

WISH TOKENS - THE FINAL COUNTDOWN! A message from Bill and Mary Cookson: *We were invited to The Chronicle offices on Monday (26 February) having been told we were in the top ten with our 64704 tokens. We actually came third and they held a photo shoot for Tuesday's paper and we were presented with a cheque for £1005.50. We have also had separate private donations totalling £1150. So, it's a great big thank you to everyone who collected for us. And many thanks to Bill and Mary for their commitment in helping to raise these funds for HCPT Group 41 which takes local children on life changing pilgrimages to Lourdes.*

TOUCHING THE HEART SPACE A restful, reflective, relaxing day for women led by Sheila McNamara RSCJ. Come and allow your heart space to be touched by prayer, music, scripture, images and silence. Date and venue: Saturday 17 March, 10.00am – 3.30pm at St Hilda's, Beaumont Street, Sunderland SR5 2JD. The cost for the day is £15 which includes lunch. To book, email adult.formation@dioceshn.org.uk

DIOCESAN VACANCY A full-time Youth Ministry Co-ordinator is required for the Parish of Durham Martyrs (Durham City). The successful candidate will inspire and encourage young people in their faith and support the parish and school communities in developing their youth ministry. The candidate must be a practising Catholic who is committed to sharing their faith and to working enthusiastically with and for young people. Salary: £23,710, hours of work: 37.5 per week (some evening and weekend work is required). This role is subject to an Enhanced DBS check. Further information and an application pack is available on the diocesan website www.rcdhn.org.uk or contact: Human Resources Manager, Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle tel. 0191 243 3301, email: human.resources@diocesehn.org.uk. The closing date for applications is 23 March 2018. Interviews will be held on 18 April 2018.

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 then either email to stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 10am on Thursday 8 March at the latest.** Please remember to add your contact details in case we have a query.



SEASON OF LENT

God said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no gods except me.'

Exodus 20:1.2

LENTEN AND EASTER TIMETABLE

Stations of the Cross will take place at 6.30pm on the following Fridays during Lent:

Friday 9 March at St Mary

Friday 16 March at Immaculate Heart

Friday 23 March at St Philip Neri

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday 29 March

11.00am Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral

6.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Philip Neri

Good Friday 30 March (Day of Fasting & Abstinence)

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St Mary

Holy Saturday 31 March

8.00pm Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter at Immaculate Heart

Easter Sunday 1 April

9.30am Mass of Easter Morning at St Mary

OUR PRIMARY SCHOOLS LENTEN LITURGIES

Our two primary schools have very kindly extended an invitation to all parishioners to attend the following events. If the events are in school, you'll need to report and sign in at the main reception then a member of staff will direct you to the appropriate place.

ST PHILIP NERI PRIMARY SCHOOL LITURGIES

Monday 12 March 10.00am Stations of the Cross, Key Stage 2 (St Philip Neri Church)

Monday 19 March 9.15am Class liturgy, Reception and Year 1, Palm Sunday (school)

Wednesday 21 March 9.15am Class liturgy, Year 2 and 3, Washing of the Feet (school)

Thursday 22 March 9.15am Class liturgy, Year 4 and 5, The Last Supper (school)

Wednesday 28 March 10.00am Whole School Mass (St Philip Neri Church)

Wednesday 28 March 3.15pm Lenten Journey Prayer Stations (school hall/chapel)

Thursday 29 March 10am & 2.00pm Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - a Lenten Production (St Philip Neri Church)

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL LITURGIES

Friday 7 March 9.30am Class Liturgy (school)

Friday 16 March 9.30am Class Liturgy (school)

Friday 23 March 9.30am Mass celebrating Mission week (St Mary's Church)

Thursday 29 March 9.30am Class Liturgy (school)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

On the Thursdays of Lent, Father Paul Zielinski will be available in the Confessional at St Augustine's, Leam Lane, Felling, NE10 8QS, from 6.30pm to 8.00pm for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and/or spiritual guidance and advice, or simply for a chat, offering an opportunity for accompaniment on your Journey of Faith. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the healing sacraments and a powerful help on our Journey of Faith.

First Reading*Exodus 20:1-3. 7-8. 12-17*

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm*Psalms 18:8-11 R/ John 6:68*

Response: You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted.
it gives wisdom to the simple.
2. The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes.
3. The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just.
4. They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb.

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Second Reading*I Corinthians 1:22-25*

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation*John 11:25. 26*

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel Reading*John 2:13-25*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.