



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI  
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The John Ingram Partnership  
 Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

*Thy wounds, as Thomas saw, I do not see;  
 Yet Thee confess my Lord and God to be;  
 Make me believe Thee evermore and  
 more; in Thee my hope, in Thee my love to  
 store.*

*from 'Adoro Te devote' by St Thomas Aquinas*

**The Parish Secretary, Julie Hindmarsh, is available this week Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10am - 2pm in the Parish Office at St Mary's Presbytery, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Malvern Gardens, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear NE11 9LL ☎ 0191 460 4274 ✉ [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk)**

**Sunday 8 April 2018**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

**Year B**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**

**Saturday 7 April**

<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 8 April</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	Mary Theresa Webster (dec.)
<b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Joe Welsh (dec.)
<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b>			

*Weekday Readings: Second Week of Eastertide*

Monday 9 April <i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	9.15am	Immaculate Heart	<i>Service of the Word and Holy Communion</i>
Tuesday 10 April	<u>10.45am</u>	<u>St Philip Neri</u>	Requiem Mass for Veronica Ross
Wednesday 11 April <i>St Stanislaus</i>	<u>1.15pm</u>	<u>Immaculate Heart</u>	Requiem Mass for Gerald MacEwan
Thursday 12 April	9.30am	St Mary	Kathleen Mary Johnson (dec.)
Friday 13 April	10.00am	St Mary	Private Intention

**Saturday 14 April**

<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Philip Neri</b>	Helen Bain (dec.)
<b>Sunday 15 April</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart</b>	Lily Keating (dec.)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

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



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, Kathleen Buxton, Liz McKenna, Fr Jim Doherty, Bernard Lyons, Mary Orr, Geoff Taylor, Kathleen Cailey, Ken Webster, Winnie Easton, Joanne Maclean, Pat Flynn, Barney Hayes, Brigid Rankin.

*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 Veronica Ross and Gerald (Gerry) MacEwan who have died recently. The Requiem Mass for Veronica Ross will be on Tuesday 10 April at St Philip Neri church at 10.45am followed by Cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. The Requiem Mass for Gerald (Gerry) MacEwan will be on Wednesday 11 April at Immaculate Heart church at 1.15pm followed by Cremation at Saltwell Crematorium. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**A RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE (N.B.F.)** will be taken at all Masses this weekend. Please be generous in supporting this collection.

**THE NEW PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST PHILIP NERI** has now been formally established. Each of our three churches retains its present dedication i.e. Immaculate Heart of Mary, St Mary and St Philip Neri but the three present, separate parishes become one parish with the new title of Our Lady and St Philip Neri. The Decree establishing the new parish is displayed at the back of each of our churches and is also on the parish website [www.theparish.org.uk](http://www.theparish.org.uk)

**ALL ARE WELCOME** The group exploring the 'Welcoming' across our parish community met for the first time recently and started to identify a number of practical possibilities. These will be considered further at the next meeting which is this Monday 9 April at 7pm at Immaculate Heart (Day Chapel). You are very welcome to attend.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** for the new Financial Year are now available at the back of each church with apologies for the delay in distributing them this year. If you do not yet contribute by planned giving or standing order and would like to do so or, if you are a UK taxpayer and would like to Gift Aid your contributions, please contact the Parish Office, email [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or tel. 0191 460 4274.

**NEW STANDING ORDER MANDATES** If you contribute to the parish income by standing order you should have received a letter from the Diocese asking you to fill in a new Standing Order Mandate with details of the bank account for our new parish, Our Lady and St Philip Neri. Please complete the enclosed standing order mandate and submit it to your bank (and please remember to cancel your old standing order as you create the new one).

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** This Sunday 8 April, you are invited to celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy at St Anne's Catholic Church, Rokeby View, Gateshead, NE9 7UD. Holy Hour will begin at 2pm, Hour of Great Mercy from 3pm, Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image and Divine Mercy Prayers at 3.15pm followed by Holy Mass at 3.45pm. Confessions from 3pm to 3.30pm. All welcome.

**EASTER 'WALK WITH ME'** booklets offering an Eastertide journey of prayer with a daily reflection are at the back of each of our three churches, price £1.

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who supported the Easter chicks and coffee morning fundraiser on Easter Sunday morning. Your generosity raised a wonderful **£235.00** for S.V.P funds.

**THE JOHN INGRAM PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PLAN - AN INVITATION!** This is an exciting opportunity for all parishioners to become involved in developing our Partnership for the future. A 'one-off' meeting is to be held next Saturday 14 April, 9.30am - 12.30pm at St Patrick's Parish Centre, 9 High Street, Felling, Gateshead NE10 9LT. This session will focus on all aspects of Worship with a view to understanding what is currently ongoing within the Partnership and what else the Partnership could do to support our communities. All parishioners are invited to attend, but we are especially keen to hear from those currently involved in leading worship (e.g. music ministry, leaders of services other than Mass), and people who celebrate Mass in other languages (e.g. Polish, Filipino) or other rites (e.g. 'Tridentine'). This is the first event of five to be considered within the Development Plan. Other areas to be considered and developed include *Adult Formation, Youth, Communications and Stewardship*. It would be great to have as many people as possible involved and to have every parish in the Partnership represented too. For further information, please contact Katie Wilkinson (Chair of the Partnership Development Group), mobile 07837 386 760 or [emailteachkate1@gmail.com](mailto:emailteachkate1@gmail.com)

**ROSARY ON THE COAST** A Day of Pilgrimage and Prayer for the re-flourishing of our Faith, for the grace to build a culture of Life and for true Peace to reign will be held throughout the country on Sunday 29 April at 3pm. Nearest North East location: 2 Links Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 3PL. For further information, please visit [www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk](http://www.rosaryonthecoast.co.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 then either email to [stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk](mailto:stmarysphilip@aol.co.uk) or post through the presbytery letterbox at Immaculate Heart **by 10am on Thursday 12 April at the latest.**

**First Reading***Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35*

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24*

*Response:* **Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.**

- Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.'  
Let the sons of Aaron say:  
'His love has no end.'  
Let those who fear the Lord say:  
'His love has no end.'
- The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds.  
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,  
but not doomed to die.
- The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.  
This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad.

**Second Reading***1 John 5:1-6*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation***John 20:29***Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

**Alleluia!****Gospel***John 20:19-31*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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